

For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR INSPECTING PRODUCTS

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Application No.: 10/549,757

I. A. Filing Date: March 18, 2004

Filed: September 19, 2005.

Customer Service Window, Mail Stop Amendment Honorable Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Randolph Building, 401 Dulany Street

Alexandria, Virginia 22314

Sir:

Art Unit: 2877

Examiner:

Washington, D.C.

Atty.'s Docket: RUYMEN=3

OR

OR

Confirmation No.: 8421

Date: May 23, 2006

Transmitted herewith is a <u>PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT</u> in the above-identified application.] Small Entity Status: Applicant(s) claim small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below: 1

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	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA EQUALS		
TOTAL	* 24	MINUS	** 24	0		
INDEP.	* 2	MINUS	*** 2	0		
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM						

SMALL ENTITY				
RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE			
x 25	\$			
x 100	\$			
+ 180	\$			
NAL FEE TOTAL	\$			

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY ADDITIONAL RATE FEE \$ 50 200 \$ 360 \$ TOTAL \$

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[XX] Conditional Petition for Extension of Time

If any extension of time for a response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.

[] It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below:

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	Small Entity	O	ther T	han Small	Enti	ty		
	Response Filed Within	Response Filed Within						
	[] First - \$ 60.00	[]	First	-	\$	120.00)
	[] Second - \$ 225.00	[}	Second	-	\$	450.00)
	[] Third - \$ 510.00	[1	Third	-	\$	1020.00)
	[] Fourth - \$ 795.00	[]	Fourth	-	\$	1590.00)
	Month After Time Period Set Month After Time Period Set				Set			
[] Less fees (\$) already paid for month(s) extension of time on								
[]	Please charge my Deposit Account No. 02-4035 in the amount of \$		<u>.</u>					
[]	[] Credit Card Payment Form, PTO-2038, is attached, authorizing payment in the amount of §							
[]] A check in the amount of \$ is attached (check no.).							
[XX]	The Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any additional fees which may be required in conne					1e		

connection with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. This authorization and request is not limited to payment of all fees associated with this communication, including any Extension of Time fee, not covered by check or specific authorization, but is also intended to include all fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR §1.16 and all patent processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17 throughout the prosecution of the case. This blanket authorization does not include patent issue fees under 37 CFR §1.18.

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Prior to calculation of the filing fee and any action on the merits, please amend as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.